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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. (GEORGE STREET & Co., 80, Cornhill). GORDON & GUTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENRY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

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AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GUTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

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Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

HEAD OFFICE.—14, Rue Bergère, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOULOGNE, SAN FRANCISCO, MANRILLAS, HAMBURG, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, MELBOURNE.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking and Exchange Business.

E. G. VOILLAMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.
RESERVE FUND, £100,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

WILLIAM FORREST,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 10, 1880.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £5,000,000.
RESERVE FUND, £1,000,000.

COUNT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—The Hon. W. KENNEDY.
Deputy Chairman—A. MELVILLE, Esq.

ALFRED ANDER, Esq. H. DE C. FORBES, Esq.
E. L. BELLING, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq.
G. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
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HONGKONG, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
SHANGHAI, EVERETT CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
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LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 16, 1880.

Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr JOHN PATRICK LALOR to Sign the Name of our Firm.

MARGESSON & Co.
Macao, 5th October, 1880. no5

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS GIBB WILLIAMSON has been authorized to Sign our Firm in Hongkong from this Date.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, October 1, 1880. no1

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS of the ELLIOTT'S METAL COMPANY, Birmingham, for Hongkong and China.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Hongkong, Sept. 13, 1880. del8

Entertainment.

A MUSEMENTS

At Kowloon.

On or about the 18th October,

"Moonlight Masquerade!"

Admission, \$2.

Musical and Tickets to be had at Messrs KNESE & Co.

A. HAHN.
Hongkong, October 8, 1880.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

MUNTZ PATENT YELLOW METAL SHEATHING,

all Sizes;

AND COMPOSITION NAILS,

in Lots to Suit Purchasers.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Fisher's Wharf Buildings,
Hongkong, July 25, 1880.

FOR SALE.

JULIUS MUMM & Co.'s

CHAMPAGNE,

Quartette, \$10 per doz. Case.

Pints, \$17 per doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

FOR SALE.

MULLER FRERES'S CELEBRATED

OLD BRANDY,

in Cases of 12 and 24.

Apply to **HESS & Co.,**

Sole Agents.

Hongkong, Sept. 1, 1880. 1j5d1

JAPAN SELTZER WATER MANUFACTURED BY J. LEWELLYN & Co. from JAPAN SPRING WATER at their STEAM AND FOUNTAIN FACTORY, Shanghai.

Agents in Hongkong:—Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, July 31, 1880. 31j5d1

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, under power contained by Bill of Sale, or

THURSDAY,

the 21st October, 1880, at 3 o'clock p.m., on Board,

The well-known CUTTER YACHT

"NAIAD,"

of 26 Tons Register,

Length 61 feet 1 inch, Beam 11 feet 7 inches, and Depth of Hold 9 feet 10 inches; she was built in Hongkong, by JOHN JACK in 1867, and had a New

Suit of SAILS made by W. DOLAN in 1878.

With everything Complete as per inventory, which can be seen at the Undersigned.

Also,

MOORINGS, ETC.

TERMS.—Cash on fall of the hammer.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Oct. 4, 1880. oc21

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE FOR SALE.

Ex "GLENARTNEY" AND "SINDHU"

CHRISTY'S FELT AND TWEED HATS.

DRIVING WHIPS.

SCARVES, TIES, COLLARS, &c.

NEW MEMORANDUM CALENDAR for 1881.

ALSO,

NEW TAILORING GOODS Suitable for the SEASON.

PENANG CIGARS AND CIGARETTES.

CIGARETTES—LITTLE DEVILS, . . . Boxes of 100, . . . \$1.25

CIGARS—GENERAL PILL, . . . Do. 100, . . . 2.25

GENERAL VAN DER HEYDEN, . . . Do. 100, . . . 2.25

TRABUCOS, . . . Do. 250, . . . 5.50

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1880. no1

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE just received Ex "FRENCH MAIL," their NEW STOCK of

CHRISTMAS CARDS.

"Victrola" Tablets for 1880.

"Fringers" Indian Carving.

Knock's "Manual of Anatomy."

Johnson's "Hall Map of World," on rollers.

Urquhart's "Electro Plating," 2.00

New Study Annual, . . . 40

John's "Round about a Great Estate," . . . 2.50

Mark Twain's "Tramps Abroad," . . . 2.50

New Health Primers: "Brain Work," "The Heart," each, . . . 1.00

Proctor's "Star Atlas," . . . 1.50

"Young Dictionary," . . . 2.25

"Youst on the Horse," . . . 3.00

Sankey's "Hymns with Music," . . . 1.00

Hosier's "Telegraph Codes," . . . 1.50

Levi's "History of British Commerce," . . . 6.50

Hongkong, October 11, 1880.

To Let.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch. Also entire GODOWNS to let.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, October 1, 1880. no1

COAL GODOWNS TO LET.

BURROWS' GODOWNS, Nos. 11, 111, and 113, WANCHI ROAD.

Apply to **SIEMSEN & Co.**

Hongkong, September 13, 1880.

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR and Ground Floor of House No. 4, Grace Road (known as the BLUE HOUSE); Possession on the 1st of October.

Also,

THE HOUSE opposite the WANCHI PIER, Marine Lot No. 29, containing 8 Rooms, etc., etc., with Gas and Water laid on; Immediate possession.

Apply to **MEYER & Co.**

Hongkong, September 2, 1880.

TO LET.

TWO HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of the TEMPERANCE HALL.

The DWELLING HOUSES—Nos. 31 and 33, WELLINGTON STREET.

OFFICES in OLD CHAMBERS, now in the occupation of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., with Strong Room attached; also other OFFICES and CHAMBERS in the same Building.

Apply to **DOUGLAS LAFFRANK & Co.**

Hongkong, August 14, 1880.

TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to **MEYER & Co.**

Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

TO LET.

No. 8, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, containing Eight Rooms and OUT-HOUSES.

No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to **DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.**

Hongkong, September 25, 1880.

Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVERSMITHS, and OPTICIANS.

Have been appointed Sole Agents for VOITZLANDER and Sons's Celebrated MARINE GLASSES, OPERA GLASSES, and TELESCOPES.

Hongkong, September 4, 1880. no4

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS, now on a visit to SHANGHAI, will return to Hongkong early in the Winter as usual.

Hongkong, April 1, 1880.

Intimations.

INTENDERS will be RECEIVED at this OFFICE up till Noon of W. D. N. S. DAY, the 27th instant, for Executing REPAIRS to the ROOF of the CASPER'S SHED, Royal Naval Yard, according to Specification and Conditions, which can be seen on Application to the Naval Storekeeper.

The lowest, or any Tender, will not be necessarily accepted.

E. B. JORREY,
Naval Storekeeper.

At Naval Yard, Hongkong, October 11, 1880. oc15

THE "FAR EAST."

The ISSUES of 1878 WANTED.

Apply at this OFFICE.

Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE OFFICE of Mr R. H. GAINES and the Undersigned has been this DAY REMOVED to No. 14, PRINCE OF WALES STREET, opposite DOUGLAS LAFFRANK & Co.'s Wharf.

E. BURNIE,
Marine Storekeeper.

Hongkong, September 30, 1880. oc14

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

IN accordance with instructions received from the Board of Directors the HONGKONG BRANCH of this BANK will be CLOSED on the 30th September. Messrs TURNER & Co. will Act as the BANK'S AGENTS at this Port.

R. HORNE BOYD,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, September 22, 1880. no1

THE WONDER OF THE WORLD.

Good News for all!

PROF. HERMAN'S

World Renowned

VERMIN DESTROYER!

Which is known to be

Far Superior to Anything yet discovered for killing

Rats, Mice, Insects on Poultry, Ants, Bugs, Cockroaches, Bees, Beetles, Fleas on Dogs, Biting and Insects on Plants, Moths in Furs, Ticks or Scab on Sheep or Goats, also on Cattle, &c., &c.

This preparation has been applied with great success against the Lice which attack the Coffee Plants, and would doubtless be equally efficacious with the Tea Plants.

SOLD IN PACKETS.

At One Shilling per packet; or six Packets for Five Shillings.

The Powder is warranted free from all bad smell, and will keep in any climate. It may be spread anywhere without risk, as it is quite harmless to Cats or Dogs, as they will not eat it.

DIRECTION FOR USE ON EACH PACKET.

MANUFACTORY:

GRAVELL LANE, founded at

CITY OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

The above discovery has gained for Professor Herman a Silver Prize Medal at the Inter-Colonial Exhibition of Victoria, Australia, of 1880, besides numerous Testimonials.

Hongkong Agents:—T. BLACKHEAD & Co., W. CROOKSHANK, Victoria Dispensary.

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SAILORS' HOME.

ANY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or Papers will be thankfully received at the Sailors' Home, West Point, Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

I, the Undersigned, hereby give Notice that I will NOT be RESPONSIBLE for any D.B.T. Contract, Security given, or BILL, NOTE, BOND, or other SECURITY Made Signed or Executed in my Name or on my behalf in this Colony or in other places by any of my Partners or Employees without my knowledge and written consent, or by any person without written Authority or power of attorney, and that all Money Deposits and Transactions had with Fook Loong, Kwong, Lim, W. O. YU, SHEN, or YEE SANG CHAN, will not be Recognized by me as valid and binding on me as I have done with my written Authority or Guarantee.

SHE SANG KAI.

Hongkong, October 11, 1880. no1

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, 7th October, 1880.

FOURTEENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL & ACCUMULATIONS at the Rate of TWO TABLS, (Rs. 2-00) per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record 8th October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on TUESDAY, 19th October. Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificate for Enforcement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 19th instant, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

no1

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

Suit No. 9.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Plaintiff—JEAN SANDO AND ANOTHER.

Defendant—WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES.

In the Matter of GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, deceased.

WHEREAS GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, late of Hongkong, deceased, died on or about the 30th day of October, 1877, and had at the time his death a fixed place of abode at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, and Whereas probate of his last Will and Testament with one Codicil was granted on the 8th day of October, 1877, to WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, the Executor named in the said Will; and Whereas, an Order was made in the above-named Suit on the 4th day of October, 1880, limiting the time within which creditors or other Persons having any Claims or Demands against the estate of the said GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, deceased, are hereby required to send in to the Liquidators of the said GEORGE UNDERH

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

AMERICAN MAIL

Prime Eastern C.H. BEEF

Young America CORNED

Pine Apple CORNED

California BUTTER

HOPS and MALT

Lamb's TONGUES

Sausage Pigs' FEET

Split PEAS

Assorted JAMS

Assorted VEGETABLES

Assorted MEATS

CODFISH

Dried HAMS

Caviare

California Golden SYRUP

Whitaker's HAMS

Breakfast BACON

CORN BUNNY in Frame and

Pickled ONIONS

Pickled PEAS

Banchon C. FISH

Salmon B. LILIES

MAKERS' L

Green TURTLE, 150 and 250

Hemp's Condensed MILK (very fine)

California FRUIT in Cask and Tin

Ginger Cakes

MAKERS' L

Soda BISCUITS

Water BISCUITS

Alphabetic BISCUITS

Oyster BISCUITS

Buckwheat FLOUR

CORNMEAL

RICE MEAL

HOMINY, Small and Large

Cracked WHEAT

OATMEAL

SHELLBARK BUTTS

PECAN NUTS

WALNUTS

SOFT SHELL ALMONDS

PEANUTS

Canned Table Fruits

Barlett PEARS

PEACHES

GRAPE FRUIT

APRICOTS

QUINCES

PINEAPPLES

Mince MEAT

Compressed CORNED BEEF

Assorted JELLIES in Glass Jars

Mixed PICKLES

Assorted PEAS

Corned BEEF

Queen's OLIVES

Chia CHOW FISH

Sausage MEAT

California SARDINES

PORK and BEANS

Smoked SALMON

PORK in 20 lb. Barrels

BEEF in 20 lb. Barrels

Fruit BUTTER

Cranberry SAUCE

Apple SAUCE

Butter BEANS

Brown BEANS

We have the following

Large or small Quantities in Bulk

Plus Valued

Fine Patented CIGARETTES

Smyrna PISTES

Good Breakfast TEA at 20 cents per lb.

Fine MIXTURE in 5 & 10 Catty Boxes

GROCE & BAKERY

HOUSEHOLD STORES

JON BROWN & Co.

CELEBRATED PRESERVES

We try to do a special attention to

all our stock of

Wines, Spirits, &c.

HARRIS & Co. of Montreal, For & the

Monsieur (Julius) CHAMPAGNE, Pils & Co.

Charles HENRIKSEN'S WHITE SEAL

Pils and Quarts

CHATEAU LAROSE (Cognac & Brandy)

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Insurances.

CHINA TRADING INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE, HONGKONG.

Position of the company at the close of the

last financial year, 30th April, 1880.

CAPITAL PAID UP, £1,000,000

RESERVE FUND, £250,000

BALANCE UNPAID, £70,278 43

DIVIDEND PAID TO SHAREHOLDERS, £20,400

DIVIDEND PAID TO ALL OTHERS, £2,000

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off the unreasonable and unreasoning anti-foreign feeling which impelled the life of Chung Hwa and endangered the very existence of the reigning dynasty. Prince Tsun, the alleged leader of the war party, would be most completely checked by a proposal at once so bold and yet, appealing so directly to his patriotic feelings; for it must be remembered that, high though that official may be, he has not the finances of a rich province to manipulate in order to assist him in the payment of a large indemnity. There are several features in this piece of intelligence which, if we could only believe in its authenticity, are of a most satisfactory character. The document seems to have been at once submitted to H. E. Li Hung-chang, "as Grand Secretary and Senior Guardian of the Emperor, and also as the Principal Guardian of the Empire." Now, it was pretty well known how Li regarded the questions of war and peace, and the action here attributed to the Western Emperor or the Court looks very much like a shrewd attempt to appease all parties, and to provide an honourable means of retreat for those who have been playing at brag and affected patriotism at the expense of Li, Chung Hwa and Russia. We are also informed that the Two Emperors have all along been on the side of the Peace Party, as well as the Prince Kung; and had this been known at an earlier stage, even less attention than has already been devoted to the "tempest in a tea-cup" at Peking would have sufficed for all purposes. There is, we should think, no party in China strong enough to battle against the united efforts of the Two Emperors, Prince Kung and Grand Secretary Li; and this consideration is one which is more likely than any other to give permanence to any action at Peking in regard to peace or war. As the report goes, Li Hung-chang at one declared for peace; and, in view of the depressed state of trade and the "little bill" already incurred to Russia, this is probably one of the wisest of the many wise things which the great Li has done for his country. In considering the wretchedly corrupt modes of raising money by officials in the provinces, the tremendous effect of a war paid for by taxes raised in the manner suggested, can be scarcely conceived. A writer in the *Foehow Herald* recently referred in most sensible terms to the way in which China had, with her usual shrewdness, levied the expenses of her former Foreign wars upon Foreign commerce. It may even be said that the cost of the Taping Rebellion, as well as the indemnity payable to Great Britain and France, was defrayed out of the taxes laid upon British trade. But how much more would this pressure have been felt had the crushing indemnity to Russia been left to be squeezed from the pockets of the fighting class of officials? The effect upon all kinds of trade would have been of the most damaging nature; and how it might have affected or disaffected the people is more than can be fairly estimated. It is at least most satisfactory to know, looking at it from whatever stand-point one may take, that there is some reason to believe that such a trial of endurance is not likely to be made upon the people of China or upon the Foreign Merchants.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS

(Supplied to the "China Mail")

(Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co's Line)

LONDON, October 9

The Baroque in the West of Ireland is being prepared for the fullest complement of troops.

The Daily News in a leading article announces a possibility of the deposition of the Sultan.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The next ENGLISH MAIL may be expected here to-morrow, Wednesday, the 13th, by the P. & O. steamer *Zander*, which brings London dates to Sept. 10th.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be expected to arrive here on about the 21st inst., by the P. M. Co's steamer *City of Tokio*.

We are informed by the Agents Messrs Russell & Co. that the *City of Tokio* will leave Yokohama for this port on the 14th inst.

The Russian corvette *Platon*, 184 tons, 8 guns, Commander Polinsky arrived from Singapore to-day and gave and received the usual salutes.

INTELLIGENCE has been received that the German steamer *Asia*, 1004, Capt. Hansen, from Amoy for New York, has gone on shore on the Island of Socotra, and that 400 tons of tea are damaged. The fact that the telegram speaks of the tea to this amount only being damaged would lead to the presumption that the rest of the cargo is safe and that the vessel has been got off.

TO-DAY, Mr. Wotton made application to Mr. Justice Snowden to fix a time for hearing a motion on summons in the case of Pitman v. the Hon. W. Keewick and others, that the defendant be called on to grant security for costs in this case; to-morrow, the 13th, at 11 o'clock, was the time fixed. His Honour remarking that if the Chief Justice was not present he would hear it himself.

We have been favoured by the Hon. the Acting Colonial Secretary with a copy of the following telegram from the Governor General of the Philippines to the Governor of Hongkong:—

"Manila, Oct. 11th, 1880. The barometer has been descending since yesterday. The pressure this afternoon is 755.18 m.m., corrected for temperature and sea level. Wind S.W.; force 2.5 miles per hour. Dry thermometer 72.8. Wet thermometer 55.8. Weather covered, A.

typhoon is probably raging at the North of Luzon; the direction is unknown."

The corresponding readings, according to English method, are these:—

Barometer, —29.74.
Dry therm., —82.
Wet therm., —78.

There are no appearances of an approaching typhoon here, and little or no apprehension is felt. It may be that the so-called typhoon supposed to be raging off the North end of Luzon is simply a strong S.W. gale. It would be as well, if the telegrams from Manila are to be supplied to us regularly, that the mere facts known and observations attainable at Manila, were telegraphed without any suggestions or suppositions. The plain figures would tell their tale sufficiently to those for whose benefit presumably the messages are sent.

The German bark *Walgere*, we read in the Japan paper to have to-day, was chartered to load at Newchwang and Chifu for Hongkong, and was to sail on Thursday the 30th ult. The German three-masted schooner *Hiet* was chartered to Newchwang, there to load for Hongkong.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall

Museum for the week ending Oct. 10:—

	European.	Chinese.
Mon. Oct. 4th.	31	615
Tues. " 5th.	46	355
Wed. " 6th.	19	409
Thurs. " 7th.	29	344
Fri. " 8th.	40	314
Sat. " 9th.	44	567
Sun. " 10th.	54	567
Totals	209	2,678
Grand total.	2,787.	

(London & China Express, Sept. 3)

Sir Edward Reed, K.C.B., M.P., late Chief Constructor to the Navy, has recently visited the shipyard of Messrs Caird and Co. at Greenock, to see the two very large and powerful boats that are being built for the P. and O. Company. Admiral Popoff, Chief Controller of the Russian Marine, and designer of the celebrated Imperial yacht *Lionel*, has also visited the yard. The Admiral showed the greatest interest in the construction of the huge steamers, and in the machinery employed in the preparation of the material. The Admiral, after a visit of inspection to the Messrs Caird's foundry at Cardfry, left Greenock the same evening.

The twenty-sixth annual report on the Post Office, being that for the financial year ending March 31 (during which period Lord John Manners was Postmaster General) has just been presented to Parliament. As regards the foreign and colonial mails the most important points mentioned are the improved services and revision of rates of postage connected with the India and China mails, which came into operation with the new contract with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company on the 1st of February last, the additional mails established to Australia, and the withdrawal, in deference to the wishes of the Japanese Government, of the British Post-Office agencies in Japan, a step which has, however, in no way impaired the regularity and efficiency of the postal communication with this country. A few more accessories to the Postal Union have taken place during the year, and a regulation of the Postal Union, whereby the sender of a registered letter within the limits of the Union can obtain a written acknowledgment of its delivery for a fee of 2d., has been brought into operation in this country. Packets of trade patterns between this country and France may now be sent up to a maximum weight of 2oz. instead of 6oz., and the Postmaster-General hopes before long to arrange with other foreign countries for a similar extension of the size and weight of trade patterns. The estimated number of letters, postcards, newspapers, &c., sent to European countries and to Egypt during 1879 appears from the statistical appendices to the report to be 32,911,200, or a decrease of 4.2 per cent. on the previous year. The Postmaster-General makes no attempt to account for this decrease, which is the more noticeable as the estimated number received from the same countries was 34,129,400, or an increase of 12 per cent.

THE TYPHOON IN JAPAN.

The *Myiuta Maru*, Capt. Walker, which arrived last night from Japan, reports that she left Kobe on the 2nd instant at 4:30 p.m., when showery weather, moderate breeze and thick weather prevailed, and experienced considerable wind and rain till the 2nd. At 11:50 passed the Rock Island. At midnight fresh gale, sea overcast; bar. 29.74. On the 3rd, at 8 a.m., bar. 29.72. At noon a moderate wind and cloudy with southerly gale, bar. 29.65, ther. 81. At 3 p.m., weather clear, observed Arundel Point on the standard bow, the barometer falling rapidly, wind increasing and every appearance of a typhoon approaching. Secured everything about the decks and stood in for Oosima. At 4:30 it set in thick with heavy rain; hauled out to the S.S.E., and eased the engines of slow. At 5 o'clock wind round to the N.E., and increasing. At 6:30 the wind N. and blowing with hurricane force. At 7 gale at its height with mountainous sea and terrific squalls of wind and rain; bar. 29.31. At 8 o'clock the wind round to the N.W., barometer rising and wind decreasing. Thence to Kobe, fine clear weather strong North-west breeze. Left Kobe 7:30 Monday the 4th; thence to Hongkong fine weather. The following are the readings of the barometer and thermometer during the day of the typhoon, with the direction of the wind:—

p.m.	bar.	ther.	wind.
1	29.50	83	E.
2	29.41	84	E.
3	29.30	84	E.
4	29.55	83	N.E.
5	29.55	83	N.E.
6	29.53	83	N.W.
7	29.52	83	N.W.
8	29.70	83	N.W.
9	29.89	83	W.
10	29.95	83	W.
11	29.95	82	W.
12	29.19	82	W.

Passed the P. & O. steamer *Sunda*, eight miles outside of Kobe.

THE "TANAI" IN A TYPHOON.

(Japan Daily Mail, Oct. 5)

The M. M. steamer *Tanai* returned to Yokohama last night having encountered the full force of the typhoon at which we experienced a portion on Sunday last. Owing to the courtesy of Captain Reynier we are enabled to publish the following full report:—Left Yokohama on the 2nd instant at 9 a.m., there was continuous rain and a slight gale from the N.E. At 1 p.m. passed Rock Island. After leaving Iseuraiga experienced a strong wind from the S.W. The barometer, which was at 759 when we left Yokohama, commenced to fall immediately after. Then the gale veered to the S.W. and increased in strength and steadiness. At 6:30 p.m. a light breeze from the S.W. miles distant. Land the course to pass the light at ten miles. The barometer continued to fall in an alarmingly manner, but the course was unaltered. Between seven and eight p.m. there could be no doubt that we were under the influence of a typhoon, the centre of which was little to the west of our course. At 8 p.m. the barometer reading was 744, and a perfect tempest blew. A terrific rain rose from the S.W., and the vessel began to labour in it. There was no doubt whatever that we were crossing the path of a typhoon which opposed us with great force. We did not dare to run into the coast, which was at least 20 miles off, on account of its dangerous character, and the fact that the ship was making very slow progress, and I especially dreaded the neighbourhood of the islands, which are in the south near Ise. There was nothing to do therefore but to cross the centre of the typhoon. I steered to the S.S.W. to avoid all fear of a lee shore. All this time the barometer was very irregular; at 10 p.m. it showed 729; a terrible wind was blowing, and we shipped seas at every moment, now from the S.W. and now from the S.E. from which direction they were of so great a strength that the ship strained terribly. The typhoon was the most increased up to eleven o'clock, when the barometer showed 724; at this moment the centre of the typhoon was entered. At 11:30 p.m. the wind ceased suddenly; the barometer stood at 722, the lowest point reached. At midnight there was a lull. Then a N.W. wind of terrible strength arose. The barometer began to rise. At about eleven o'clock the water was damaged about midnight a sailor, Mather Donnan, who was standing on the poop, was thrown overboard by a lurch of the ship and all efforts to save him were unavailing. To lower a boat would have been to send men to certain death and to our grief we had to abandon him to his fate. The other men were wounded. At 1 a.m. the storm was at its worst and the rain and sea were so great that one could barely see the forepart of the vessel. After 1 a.m. the barometer rose very quickly, but the weather did not become settled until the morning of the 4th instant, at about 5 a.m. In consequence of the damage done to the rigging, I decided to return to Yokohama for repairs, especially as the engines were working only slowly. During the typhoon the mizen rigging was damaged and the davits of two boats were carried away, as were also a few benches. The vessel having sustained so much the usual reservation is made in case of the cargo being damaged; the pumps were kept going all the time. The vessel anchored in Yokohama harbour at 11:30 p.m. on the 4th of October.

THE GALE AT YOKOHAMA

(Gazette, Oct. 4)

The unsettled weather of yesterday culminated last night in a gale such as has not visited Yokohama for two years past. Shortly after midnight it commenced to blow hard from E.S.E., accompanied by very heavy rain. Soon afterwards the wind veered round to W.N.W., and the barometer went down to 29, when the rain ceased somewhat, which was fortunate, as by that time the tiles on the houses in the Settlement and Bluff were falling off. The storm was at its height about 2:30 a.m., and began to lessen in violence shortly after 3 o'clock. The lowest reading of the barometer was 28.75. To enumerate the damage on shore and aloft would be too great an undertaking. However, some extent of the violence of the storm may be gathered from the following list of casualties.

The corvette *Kanyu-han*, American ship *Samar*, German schooner *Fly*, and *Sold*, British gunboat *Hiet*, all dragged their anchors more or less, the latter vessel nearly running on shore opposite the Grand Hotel. The U. S. *Richmond* had three anchors down and steaming against the wind. Mr. Helm unfortunately lost his steam-launch and two cargo boats, the steam-launch belonging to the Post Office is badly damaged and the gig is at the bottom. One water-boat of the Pacific Mail Company also encountered to the elements, while the *haboba* is strewn with the debris of Japanese sampans and foreign-built boats, which were smashed into atoms by collision with the large cargo boats which got adrift from their moorings.

On shore the damage was of a more varied nature. Many houses on the Bluff suffered considerable injury, principally confined to the roofs; trees and fences were blown down, and our sportsmen will have to erect a new Grand Stand, as the old one, which has stood wind and weather for so many years, was laid in ruins. Many wells have fallen in, consequent on the great flow of water, and several Japanese houses have been literally turned inside out. The Bluff road this morning was carpeted with leaves blown from the trees. In the Settlement considerable damage has also been done. The framework of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co's new godown is a perfect wreck. The large yew tree at the gate of the English Church has fallen across the road and stopped traffic, and the unfortunate Temperance Hall has also come in for a share of the general destruction.

In Tokio we learn that the damage has been pretty general. Two barracks were blown down, and it is feared that there has been loss of life among the soldiers. Tides during the heaviest part of the storm were flying about in all directions. The lowest reading of the barometer was 28.70 at 2:45 a.m. On Oct. No. 2, Foreign Concession, the famous Chinese singer and actor, who was known down and live a mass of ruin, the larger portion well fitted to the lake's edge. On No. 13, the Tokio Women's Foreign Mission Benevolent Society buildings, the largest in Tenkyu, now being built under the superintendence of Mr. De Benneville, were blown down about 3 a.m., and badly broken up, leaving nothing but a mass of worthless timber; and many of the buildings in course of construction in several parts of the city have been badly damaged and completion retarded.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMA V. J. H. I. D. I. O. N.

(Before His Honour the Judge, F. Courtenay, Esq.)

Tuesday, Oct. 12.

CORRECTION. *Summa v. J. H. I. D. I. O. N.*—This was a suit to recover £200 (two hundred pounds) from the plaintiff, Mr. H. I. D. I. O. N., against the defendant, Mr. J. H. I. D. I. O. N. The plaintiff alleged that the defendant had been guilty of a breach of contract, and that he was entitled to recover the sum of £200. The defendant denied the plaintiff's allegations, and claimed that he was not liable for the sum of £200. The court found in favour of the plaintiff, and ordered him to recover the sum of £200, with costs.

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CHUN AKU, 24, unemployed, was sentenced to be imprisoned for one week with hard labour, as a rogue and vagabond.

GEORGE EDWARD, 25, of No. 4, and John Marie, Marine of M. S. Victor Ena, were fined one dollar each, or in default to be imprisoned for forty-eight hours with hard labour for committing a nuisance and obstructing the police in the execution of his duty, at 9 o'clock on the 11th inst.

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It was proved that many people were in the habit of visiting the house to buy tickets and that the place was a Pak Kopp Lottery Agency.

The prisoners were fined fifty dollars each, in default to be imprisoned for three months with hard labour. The gambling case to be tried to-morrow. The money in the pillow box to be returned to the defendant, the balance of the fine, if paid, to go to the informer.

FAIR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. Lan Ahn, 61, Queen's Rd. Central, master of Heng's Young hat shop, was charged with having in his shop two false measures, some of which were already filled in, and lists were also found with the numbers of said tickets &c.

Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchanges)

The Customs revenue for the month of September last shows an advance compared with that collected during the same time last year, which is an evidence that trade is gradually increasing. There was collected during September this year, \$122,418.83, against \$101,791.11 last year, which shows a difference of \$20,627.72 in favor of the month in the present year. The value of dutiable goods exported in September was \$87,740.

The Chinese and the Japanese—Two Asiatic races distinguished themselves one by the other by their territory and the number of their labour and activity—arguing in dispute to the cause of progress. The Japanese have established a mercantile empire in a large capital in Manila, and the Japanese trade without the intervention of the British. The Chinese, on their part, have formed a mercantile association which consists of *to begin with*, thirty-five steamers, with the view of trading the greater part of the traffic which exists between America and Manila.

In answer to a previous paragraph which appeared in the *Gazette* with reference to the *Roscoe*, the *Comptroller* says that the driver who is working in the salving operation is an Englishman and not an American. Other correspondents say that the vessel was sold by auction for \$100, and was sold privately, and the price obtained was higher than that. Messrs. Paine and Robinson represent a private association established in Singapore some years ago, and the said gentlemen are undertaking the salving operation, accompanied by a driver and assistants. Besides the operations on the *Roscoe* they are engaged on other vessels lost in the Java sea and other parts.

From the Trade Return of 1879, just issued by the Customs authorities, the following alleged statistics are taken. The Commercial movements in the value of import and export in these islands during 1879 amounted to \$36,844,999, showing an increase, compared with that of 1878, of \$2,081,947. The difference between the import and export is in favor of the latter, by \$791,908. The value of the import shows the sum of \$18,041,947, against \$17,292,847 in 1878. The value of the export amounted to \$18,813,452, against \$17,470,305.

The number of vessels that entered the port during the year under notice was 458 with an aggregate tonnage of 317,099, against 411 with the aggregate tonnage of 304,558 in 1878; the vessels which left the port during the same period were 478, with an aggregate tonnage of 326,695, against 438 vessels with an aggregate tonnage of 305,938 in 1878.

The collections by all Customs in these islands in all its branches amounted to \$1,204,367.40, which sum compared with that collected in 1878 shows a decrease of \$265,302.55. The values of import and export were distributed amongst the vessels of the following nationalities:—

Nationalities.	Import.	Export.
Spanish	\$11,119,677	\$5,524,239
British	9,612,267	7,958,300
American	212,231	3,406,987
French	813,963	1,176,972
Dutch	19,777	218,851
Italian	49,471	239,185
Danish	70,788	87
Norwegian	8,027	188,188
Norwegian	10,203	117,405
Sinnee	3,193	2,438

Of the dutiable goods imported, the cotton textile goods, which represent a value of \$4,444,036, are at the head of all.

The 1,000 lottery tickets sent to China through Messrs Franco y Elzalde, have turned out to represent \$21,000 in prizes. These include the two principal prizes.

The Italian barque *Parade*, Captain N. Olivarez, left Manila for England on the 4th instant.

China.

NEWCHANG.

The *San-Han-Kang* has just made her second visit for Shan-hai Quan (commonly called by us "The Great Wall") and a portion of the Celestial army is being transferred from Hankow. This steamer seems to be selected for carrying chiefly the generals, officers and their families and suites. Natives are acute and find that they could not be better treated than they are on board the *San-Han-Kang*. Some of the confiding captives are much fitted, and it is only necessary to travel with them in order to appreciate their kindness. Flags, banners and other public demonstrations may be satisfactory to come, but these honours do not appear to be always lavished on the best men, and are certainly not confined to the only good ones. Well, the soldiers already dined at Shan-hai Quan amount to over 80,000, and about 10,000 more will be landed.

It is known by natives that the police is not prepared to receive a large number of Chinese, but it is thought necessary to be prepared to receive further demands by Russia, who, I suppose, will get at least £25,00

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Hongkong Harbour.

A Departures reported to-day.

our the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
 and h., near the Kowloong shore, and close to the body of the
 section with the figures denoting the sections.

8. From Pier to East Point.

Days of week.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
10	Douglas Laparak & Co.	Amoy, &c	16th day.
11	Birley & Co.	.....	Kien Do.
12	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay, &c	To-morrow
13	66thb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	14th inst.
14	Valent Schollhaas & Co.	Saigon	.....
15	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	15th inst.
16	Douglas Laparak & Co.	Coast Ports	as daylight
17	Remedon & Co.	.....	To-morrow
18	Hussell & Co.	Malacca	To-morrow
19	W. & W. Peck Dook Co.	Malacca	Tug Plying
20	N. N. Telegraph Co.	.....	.....
21	Messageries Maritimes	Marcelloni, &c	To-morrow
22	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c	16th, 3 p.m.
23	J. M. N. S. Co.	.....	Kien Do
24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	.....	.....
25	7 Remedon & Co.	.....	.....
26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c	Constant
27	Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	16th, 3 p.m.
28	10 Captain	Yokohama	16th, day
29	China Traders' Insurance Co.	London, &c	To-morrow
30	Yokohama

St.	Address	Home, &c.	Today
Oct.	Wheeler & Sons		
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Sept.	21 Carlowitz & Co.	Havre and Hamburg	
Aug.	27 Vogel & Co.	New York	
July	28 Brandao & Co.		
Sept.	19 H. & O. S. N. Co.		
Sept.	10 Meyer & Co.		
Sept.	19 Russell & Co.	Manila	
Sept.	20 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sayon	
Oct.	11 Wiler & Co.		
Sept.	23 Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Sept.	19 Wiler & Co.	Newchwang	
Aug.	20 Arnold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
Sept.	19 Landsteln & Co.		
Sept.	19 Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Oct.	5 Edward Smellhase & Co.	Tientsin	
Oct.	8 Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Sept.	20 Landsteln & Co.		
Sept.	18 Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Aug.	21 Johnson, Ball & Co.		
Sept.	20 Jarnsen & Co.		
Sept.	18 P. & O. S. N. Co.	San Francisco	
Sept.	23 Borneo Co., Limited	Cleared	
Sept.	11 Edward Smellhase & Co.	Kelang	
Sept.	21 Jarnsen & Co.		
Sept.	19 Chinese		
Oct.	6 Chinese		
July	24 Russell & Co.	New York	

Oct.	10	Capitan			
Aug.	27	W. H. Bay			
Sept.	19	Tong Sung Woo			
Oct.	6	Carlowitz & Co.		London	
Sept.	16	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		Poochow	
Oct.	1	Meyer & Co.			
Sept.	23	Chinese			
Oct.	1	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		Havre and Hamburg	
Oct.	12	Siemssen & Co.		Shanghai	
Oct.	9	Siemssen & Co.		Shanghai	

Hongkong Harbour.

	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
	221	7	70	Oct. 12	J. Stewart
	480	4	420	Oct. 6	Com. Klaus
.....				June 21	Yuen Wun Tong
	700	3	95	Oct. 5	Shanhope Grove
	384	2	80	Sept. 25	J. Tarow
	774	3	160	Sept. 21	R. H. Napier
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	495	4	130

g-ship	1834	8	Oct. 12	Polanyi
	8087	20	Commodore Smith
	4	860	June 2	John G. Jones

	-800	.....	.....	Oct. 8	Kwa Kok Tong
	1200	1	250	Oct. 6	M. Mathieu

Name.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Commander.
An-lan	221	7	70	J. Godall
Chun-ai	80	3	30	A. Walker
Chun-ju	221	7	70	Stewart
Ching-on	120	2	40	Chinese Adm.
Ching-po	180	6	60	A. G. Cameron
Chun-tung	160	2	40	Chun T. H. Ho
Chun-on	80	4	20	Reed
Li-ah	500	4	120	O. H. Falk
Peng-chon-hai	120	4	40	Li Ping Tai
Shen-chi	180	5	60	J. H. Ward
Shen-chi	180	4	60	J. R. Murray
Tai-tung	180	6	60	Demard
Tsing-tung	100	5	40	Ohing

American	Bergalthe	American
London v. Fokow	Elise Jacquet	American ship
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British	Brother Brothers	British ship
Ohinese	Cox Leadrig	British ship
British	Ohinese	British ship
British	Coxlow	British ship
	Hodrie	British ship

Chinese	Esmeralda	London, Y. F.
Chinese	Kiamochow	Siamang brig.
British	M. A. Dixon	British brig.
British	Mary Whitledge	for New York
French	Parade	for New York
British	Paul Jones	for New York
British	Suez of the North	British brig.
British		
	NEW-ORLEANS.	
Sailed yesterday.	Germany	Bussard gun.
Steamers large	Manderi	Portuguese
for London	Monaco	U. S. cutter
British ship	Nayavink	Russian cor.
	Pegaron	R. M. cor.
	Themia	French brig.

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